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Monday, 6 August 2018

Official meetings

General Assembly

Seventy-second session

15:00 — 110th plenary meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 2

Organization of work adoption of the agenda and allocation of items - Item 7

Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields - Item 14

Follow up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit - Item 117

Global health and foreign policy - Item 127

Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 13 July 2018, 26 July 2018 and 31 July 2018, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Documents: A/72/L.66, A/72/L.67 and A/72/L.65

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Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf
Forty-seventh session

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6

There will be closed meetings of the subcommissions established by the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf from Monday, 13 August to Friday, 24 August 2018, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, at the Geographic Information System laboratories of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DC2 Building, 4th Floor).

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly
Seventy-second session

Sixth Committee

Thursday, 30 August 2018

10:00 to 13:00	Closed - Briefing to Member States	Conference Room 11

Contact: Secretariat of the Committee (6thcommittee@un.org; 212-963-5331)

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/
United Nations Population Fund/
United Nations Office for Project Services
Second regular session

Monday, 20 August 2018

10:00 to 11:00	Pre-session and informal briefing	Conference Room 11

Pre-session informal consultation on the second regular session 2018

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

11:00 to 13:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 11

On UNDP Country Programme Documents

the Republic of Benin

the Republic of Equatorial Guinea

Lesotho

the Republic of Namibia

the Republic of Senegal

South Sudan

the Kingdom of Bhutan

the Republic of the Philippines

Libya

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Wednesday, 4 September 2018

Open meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

Kindly note that documents for the UNDP segment of the session are posted on the UNDP website, for the UNOPS segment on the UNOPS website, and for the UNFPA segment on the UNFPA website.

Member States, observers and other organizations attending the session are requested to e-mail their credentials (names and titles of each delegation member, on official letterhead) to the Executive Board secretariat, as early as possible, but not later than 24 August 2018.

The second regular session 2018 will continue to use the electronic system to identify requests to take the floor.

Delegations with a special interest on any of the UNDP and UNOPS agenda items are kindly requested to communicate their intention to intervene during such items to the Executive Board.

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Summary of official meetings

Thursday, 2 August 2018

Economic and Social Council
2019 session

Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management
Eighth session

[archived video]

4th meeting

The Co-Chair (Netherlands) opened the meeting.

Determination of global fundamental geospatial data themes - Item 6

The Committee began its consideration of the item.

The Committee heard a presentation by Mr. Tomaz Petek, on behalf of the Chair of the Working Group on Global Fundamental Geospatial Data Themes.

Statements were made by the representatives of Spain, India, Mexico, Ethiopia, Singapore, Japan, Denmark, France, Ireland, Suriname, the United Kingdom, Fiji, the Islamic Republic of Iran and Canada.

A statement was also made by the representative of the European Union.

A statement was also made by the following non-government organization in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council or invited to participate as observer in the session of the Committee: Eurogeographics.

The Inter-Regional Advisor, Global Geospatial Information Management Secretariat, Department of Social and Economic Affairs, summarized the main points of the discussion.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of the item.

Geospatial information and services for disaster - Item 13

The Committee heard a presentation by Ms. Rosal Dolanas, on behalf of the Co-Chair of the Working Group on Geospatial Information and Services for Disasters.

Statements were made by the representatives of Côte d'Ivoire, Jamaica, Sweden, Antigua and Barbuda, Barbados, Mexico, the Netherlands (on behalf of GGIM Europe), Japan, Dominica, the United Kingdom, France, Italy, Canada and Jordan.

Statements were also made by the following non-governmental organization in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council or invited to participate as observer in the session of the Committee: MapAction and Urban and Regional Information Systems Association (URISA).

Ms. Rosal Dolanas, on behalf of the Co-Chair of the Working Group on Geospatial Information and Services for Disasters responded to the comments made and questions posed.

The Inter-Regional Advisor, Global Geospatial Information Management Secretariat, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, summarized the main points of the discussion.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of the item.

Application of geospatial information related to land administration and management - Item 11

The Committee began its consideration of the item.

The Committee heard a presentation by Mr. Kees de Zeeuw, Co-Chair of the Expert Group on Land Administration and Management.

Statements were made by the representatives of India, the Netherlands (on behalf of GGIM Europe), Barbados, Chile, Sweden, Canada, Suriname and the Republic of Korea.

A statement was also made by the following non-government organization in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council or invited to participate as observer in the session of the Committee: International Organization for Standardization (ISO).

The Senior Advisor, Global Geospatial Information Management Secretariat, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, summarized the main points of the discussion.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of the item.

Legal and policy frameworks, including issues related to authoritative data - Item 8

The Committee began its consideration of the item.

The Committee heard a presentation by Ms. Malgorzata Drewniak, Chair of the Working Group on Legal and Policy Frameworks for Geospatial Information Management.

Statements were made by the representatives of India, the United Kingdom (on behalf of GGIM Europe and national capacity), Sweden, Tonga, Belgium, Saudi Arabia, France, Canada, Japan and Fiji.

Ms. Malgorzata Drewniak, Chair of the Working Group on Legal and Policy Frameworks for Geospatial Information Management, responded to the comments made and questions posed.

The Senior Advisor, Global Geospatial Information Management Secretariat, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, summarized the main points of the discussion.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of the item.

Marine geospatial information - Item 14

The Committee began its consideration of the item.

The Committee heard a presentation by Mr. John Nyberg, Co-Chair of the Working Group on Marine Geospatial Information.

Statements were made by the representatives of Italy, Canada, Norway, Jamaica, New Zealand, the Republic of Korea, the Netherlands, the United States, Denmark, the United Kingdom, Burkina Faso, Fiji and Australia.

A statement was made by the observer for the International Hydrographic Organization.

Mr. John Nyberg, Co-Chair of the Working Group on Marine Geospatial Information, responded to the comments made and questions posed.

The Senior Advisor, Global Geospatial Information Management Secretariat, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, summarized the main points of the discussion.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of the item.

Trends in national institutional arrangements in global geospatial information management - Item 7

The Committee heard a presentation by Mr. Siau Yong NG, Chair of the Working Group on Trends in National Institutional Arrangements.

Statements were made by the representatives of India, Ecuador, Slovenia, Japan, Denmark, Belgium, Austria and Haiti.

Mr. Siau Yong NG, Chair of the Working Group on Trends in National Institutional Arrangements, responded to the comments made and questions posed.

The Senior Advisor, Global Geospatial Information Management Secretariat, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, summarized the main points of the discussion.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of the item.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Co-Chair (Netherlands).

Friday, 3 August 2018

Economic and Social Council

2019 session

Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management

Eighth session

[archived video]

5th meeting

The Co-Chair (Cameroon) opened the meeting.

Implementation and adoption of standards for the global geospatial information community - Item 9

The Committee began its consideration of the item.

The Committee heard a presentation by Ms. Christina Wasström, Chair, Technical Committee 211, International Organization for Standardization.

Statements were made by the representatives of India, Australia, Austria, Germany, Ireland, Sweden, the Republic of Korea, the United Kingdom, the State of Palestine, Singapore, Indonesia and Canada.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the following non-governmental organization in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council or invited to participate as observer in the session of the Committee: International Hydrographic Organization, Eurogeographics, and Open Geospatial Consortium.

Ms. Christina Wasström, Chair, Technical Committee 211, International Organization for Standardization, responded to the comments made and questions posed.

The Senior Advisor, Global Geospatial Information Management Secretariat, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, summarized the main points of the discussion.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of the item.

Review of United Nations activities in geospatial information management - Item 17

Mr. Stefan Schweinfest, Director of the Statistics Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, made an introductory statement.

Statements were done by the representatives of the Slovenia (on behalf of GGIM Europe), Sweden, Mexico, Italy, Ethiopia (on behalf of GGIM Africa), Malaysia, Australia and Canada.

A statement was also made by the representative of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean.

A statement was made by the representative of the United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs.

The Director of the Statistics Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs summarized the main points of the discussion.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of the item.

Strengthening collaboration with the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names - Item 16

The Committee began its consideration of the item.

The Committee heard a presentation by Mr. Trent Palmer, on behalf of the Chair of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names.

Statements were made by the representatives of Canada, Belgium, Germany (on behalf of GGIM Europe and on national capacity), Japan, Sweden, Australia, Italy, Saudi Arabia and Jordan.

A statement was also made by the representative of the Economic Commission for Africa.

Mr. Trent Palmer, on behalf of the Chair of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names, responded to the comments made and questions posed.

Mr. Stefan Schweinfest, Director of the Statistics Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs summarized the main points of the discussion.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of the item.

Programme management report - Item 18

Mr. Stefan Schweinfest, Director of the Statistics Division of the Department of Economic and Social Council, made an introductory statement.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of the item.

Provisional agenda and dates for the ninth session of the Committee of Experts - Item 19

The Committee began its consideration of the item.

Mr. Stefan Schweinfest, Director of the Statistics Division of the Department for Economic and Social Affairs made an introductory statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom, Belgium, Sweden, Australia, Denmark, Ireland, the Netherlands, Cameroon, Italy and Burkina Faso.

The Committee approved the draft provisional agenda, contained in document E/C.20/2018/CRP.3, as orally amended, as well as dates for its ninth session, and recommended it to the Economic and Social Council for its final adoption.

The Committee of Experts decided that the next session of the Committee will take place from 7 to 9 August 2019.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of the item.

Report of the Committee of Experts on its eighth session - Item 20

The Committee began its consideration of the item.

The Rapporteur of the Committee introduced the draft report of the Committee, contained in document E/C.20/2018/L.1, and related informal paper containing the draft decisions of the session.

Draft decision 8/101

Statements were made by the representatives of Germany, Austria and Belgium.

The Committee adopted the draft decision as orally revised.

Draft decision 8/102

The Committee adopted the draft decision.

Draft decision 8/103

Statements were made by the representatives of Australia and Belgium.

Mr. Stefan Schweinfest, Director of the Statistics Division of the Department for Economic and Social Affairs responded to the question posed.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Co-Chair (China).

6th meeting

The Co-Chair (China) opened the meeting.

Report of the Committee of Experts on its eighth session - Item 20

The Committee continued its consideration of the item.

Draft decision 8/103

The Committee adopted the draft decision, as orally revised.

Draft decision 8/104

Statements were made by the representatives of Singapore and Mexico, as well as by the observer for the European Union.

The Committee adopted the draft decision, as orally revised.

Draft decision 8/105

Statement were made by the representatives of Denmark and Italy.

The Committee adopted the draft decision, as orally revised.

Draft decision 8/106

The Committee adopted the draft decision.

Draft decision 8/108

A statement was made by the representative of the United Kingdom.

The Committee adopted the draft decision, as orally revised.

Draft decision 8/109

Statements were made by the representatives of Germany, Austria, the Netherlands and India.

The Committee adopted the draft decision, as orally revised.

Draft decision 8/110

Statements were made by the representatives of the Mexico and the United Kingdom.

The Committee adopted the draft decision, as orally revised.

Draft decision 8/111

The Committee adopted the draft decision.

Draft decision 8/112

The Committee adopted the draft decision.

Draft decision 8/113

The Committee adopted the draft decision.

Draft decision 8/107

A statement was made by the representative of the United Kingdom.

The Committee adopted the draft decision, as orally revised.

Draft decision 8/114

The Committee adopted the draft decision.

Draft decision 8/115

The Committee adopted the draft decision.

Draft decision 8/116

The Committee adopted the draft decision.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom, Singapore (in its capacity as Chair of the NIA working group).

On the proposal of the Chair, the Committee adopted its draft report for the session, together with the draft decisions contained in the parts 1 and 2 of the informal paper, as orally revised during the consideration of the item. The Committee also agreed to entrust the Rapporteur with finalizing the report.

Closing of the eighth session

A concluding statement was made by the Co-Chair (China) and declared the eighth session of the Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management closed.

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

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Forthcoming other meetings

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Panel discussion on the theme "Indigenous Peoples' Migration and Movement" (on the occasion of the International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples) (A/RES/49/214) (co-organized by the Indigenous Peoples and Development Branch, Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, Division for Inclusive Social Development (DISD), Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA); and the Department of Public Information (DPI))

Thursday, 9 August 2018

15:00 to 18:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

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